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Customer No. 24498

Remarks/Arguments

The amendments to Claim 1 add a recitation from Claim 11, and an additional term, which further clarifies the claim.

The amendment to Claim 2 adds an additional term which further clarifies the claim.

Claims 3 and 4 have been canceled, in order to reduce the issues.

Claim 5 has been amended to depend from Claim 1, and to clarify the terminology.

Claims 7, 10 and 14 have been amended to clarify the terminology.

The Examiner has asserted that US publication 2003/0134638 to Sundar et al discloses maintaining packet data protocol (PDP) context while servicing the request using the WLAN such that interworking between the WLAN and the cellular network is provided, relying upon paragraphs 0065, 0057 and 0067 of Sundar et al. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider his position.

Paragraph 0065 states that a mobile station always attempts to stay connected to a macro network

Paragraph 0057 states that a multi-mode phone can operate in either a WLAN or a WWAN (wide area wireless network) environment

Paragraph 0067 states that:

"upon successful detection of the beacon from AP 204 (in the WLAN), the mobile station 310 de-registers from the macro network 300 and registers with the serving MSC 302 for the WLAN 200."

Nowhere does Sundar et al teach or suggest:

"maintaining packet data protocol context while servicing the request using the wireless local area network"

as recited in Claims 1 and 11. Rather, Sundar et al de-registers from the macro network when the beacon from the WLAN is detected. Sundar teaches away from maintaining data packet protocol context with the cellular network while servicing the request of the

WLAN. It is therefore clear that Sundar et al does not anticipate the instant invention, as asserted by the Examiner.

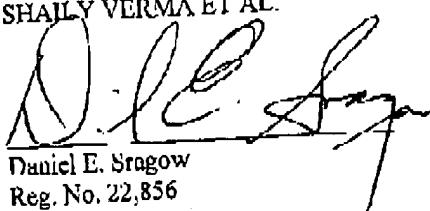
Claims 2-10 are dependent from Claim 1 and add further advantageous features. The applicants submit that these subclaims are patentable as their parent Claim 1.

Claims 12-18 are dependent from Claim 11, and add further advantageous features. The Applicants submit that these subclaims are patentable as their parent Claim 11.

The Applicants submit that the instant application is now in condition for allowance. A notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

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